

community relations, as set forth in the Federal Runaway and Homeless Youth Act guidelines;

Whereas the Safe Place placard displayed at businesses within communities stands as a beacon of safety and refuge to at-risk youth;

Whereas over 655 communities in 41 states and more than 11,000 locations have established Safe Place programs;

Whereas over 61,000 young people have gone to Safe Place locations to get help when faced with crisis situations;

Whereas through the efforts of Safe Place coordinators across the country each year more than one-half million students learn that Safe Place is a resource if abusive or neglectful situations exist;

Whereas increased awareness of the program's existence will encourage communities to establish Safe Places for the Nation's youth throughout the country: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate—

(1) proclaims the week of March 16 through March 23, 2003 as "National Safe Place Week" and

(2) requests that the President issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States and interested groups to promote awareness of and volunteer involvement in the Safe Place programs, and to observe the week with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

#### NOTICES OF HEARINGS/MEETINGS

##### COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

Mr. CAMPBELL. Mr. President, I would like to announce that the Committee on Indian Affairs will meet on Wednesday, March 5, 2003, at 10 a.m. in Room 485 of the Russell Senate Office Building to conduct a business meeting on pending Committee business, to be followed immediately by a hearing on the President's FY 2004 Budget for Indian Programs.

Those wishing additional information may contact the Indian Affairs Committee at (202) 224-2251.

##### COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that the following hearing has been scheduled before the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

The hearing will be held on March 13, 2003 at 10 a.m. in room SD-366.

The purpose of this hearing is to gain an understanding of the impacts of last year's fires and then look forward to the potential 2003 fire season. The hearing will give all Committee members a solid understanding of the problems faced last year and what problems the agencies and the land may face this last season. Further it will provide the basis for other fire hearings that we may want to undertake at the Subcommittee level as the year goes on.

Because of the limited time available for the hearings, witnesses may testify by invitation only. However, those

wishing to submit written testimony for the hearing record should send two copies of their testimony to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, United States Senate, SD-364, Washington, DC 20510-6150.

For further information, please contact Frank Gladics (202-224-2878) or Jared Stubbs (202-224-7556).

##### SUBCOMMITTEE ON NATIONAL PARKS

Mr. THOMAS. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that a hearing has been scheduled before the Subcommittee on National Parks of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. The purpose of this hearing is to conduct oversight on the designation and management of National Heritage Areas, including criteria and procedures for designating heritage areas, the potential impact areas on private lands and communities, federal and non-federal costs of managing heritage areas, and methods of monitoring and measuring the success of heritage areas.

The hearing will take place on March 13, 2003 at 2:30 p.m. in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building in Washington, DC.

Because of the limited time available for the hearing, witnesses may testify by invitation only. However, those wishing to submit written testimony for the hearing record should send two copies of their testimony to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, United States Senate, SD-364 Dirksen Senate Office Building, Washington, DC 20510-6150.

For further information, please contact: Tom Lillie at (202) 224-5161 or Pete Lucero at (202) 224-6293.

#### ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 2003

Mr. HATCH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand in adjournment until 9:30 a.m., Tuesday, March 4. I further ask that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate then begin a period for morning business for up to 2 hours, with the first 30 minutes under the control of Senator ALEXANDER, the second 30 minutes under the control of Senator MURKOWSKI or her designee, and the final 60 minutes under the control of the Democratic leader or his designee.

I further ask unanimous consent that upon the conclusion of morning business, the Senate return to executive session and resume the consideration of the nomination of Miguel Estrada to

be a circuit judge for the DC Circuit. I ask unanimous consent that the Senate recess from the hour of 12:30 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. for the weekly party caucuses.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, if my friend would yield?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Nevada is recognized.

Mr. HATCH. I am happy to yield.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I want to commend the majority leader for allowing morning business. We have been so tied up with the Estrada nomination, and I understand why he has not allowed it in the past, but it is really long overdue. We have some people who have been wanting to speak in morning business for some time now. We will do our best to get them here in the morning. I do not know if we can, but we are going to do our best. Again, I appreciate the majority leader consenting to allowing us to do this.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### PROGRAM

Mr. HATCH. Mr. President, for the information of all Senators, following morning business, the Senate will return to the Estrada nomination. Since taking up this nomination almost a month ago, the Senate has thoroughly and vigorously debated Mr. Estrada's qualifications to serve on the DC Circuit Court. Although a solid majority of Senators supports this nomination, several of my colleagues on the other side of the aisle refuse to let this well-qualified man receive an up-or-down vote on confirmation. Those who oppose Mr. Estrada certainly have a right to have their opinions heard, but I think it is more than fair to say that every Senator has had ample opportunity to speak on the nomination. I encourage any Member who still wishes to speak on the nomination to do so during tomorrow's session.

#### ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. HATCH. If there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 6:38 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, March 4, 2003, at 9:30 a.m.

#### CONFIRMATION

Executive nomination confirmed by the Senate March 3, 2003:

##### THE JUDICIARY

MARIAN BLANK HORN, OF MARYLAND, TO BE A JUDGE OF THE UNITED STATES COURT OF FEDERAL CLAIMS FOR A TERM OF FIFTEEN YEARS.